

**Amendments to the specification**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 28 with the following rewritten paragraph:

Consider the example of a network used by several different organizations with coverage extending over towns A and B. Agencies in the area may include a regional utility, two local police departments and two local fire departments (i.e., one fire and one police department for each town). During normal operation in town A, the local police and fire departments operate across the entire municipality using talk groups 1 and 2, respectively. In town B, the local police and fire departments operate across the entire municipality using talk groups 3 and 4, respectively. The regional utility operates across both towns A and B using a talk group 5. If an accident or emergency situation should occur that required a response by all of the above mentioned organizations, it would be useful to dynamically allocate a talk group that would include ~~a least at~~ at least a portion of the participants in each of the talk groups 1 through 5.